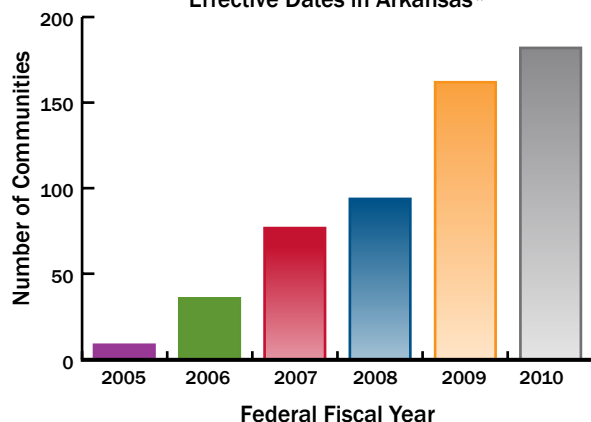


# Arkansas Five-Year Plan Summary

## COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – STATE SUPPORT SERVICES ELEMENT

Projected Flood Insurance Rate Map  
Effective Dates in Arkansas\*



\*Currently includes both participating and non-participating communities from Multi-Year Flood Hazard Identification Plan sequencing, Version 1.5, June 2005.

\*\*Percentages may have been rounded to the nearest whole number. The pie chart shows the CAP-SSSE activities the State agency responsible for floodplain management is undertaking in relation to other activities.

### PURPOSE

This report is an outcome of the review of the Federal Fiscal Year (FY) 2005-2009 Floodplain Management Work Plans by the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). It is intended to show the relationship of Community Assistance Program – State Support Services Element (CAP-SSSE) activities, and resource allocation, the State is undertaking in response to the flood mapping production schedule of Flood Map Modernization, and to highlight the efforts that are underway to achieve the flood loss reduction goals of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

### STATE VISION FOR FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

The State's floodplain management program began with the State Assistance Program (SAP) in October 1980. The Arkansas Soil and Water Conservation Commission, which was appointed the State Coordinating Agency for the NFIP, was selected to administer the SAP. The SAP funded one full-time position in floodplain management. Early efforts involved enrolling communities in the NFIP and visiting communities to assist them with implementation of ordinances.

### STATE FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Arkansas Code Ann. §14-268-101 et seq.,  
Flood Loss Prevention

Arkansas Code Ann. §15-24-101 et seq.,  
Flood Control

Arkansas Code Ann. §15-20-101 et seq.,  
Arkansas Soil and Water Conservation  
Commission

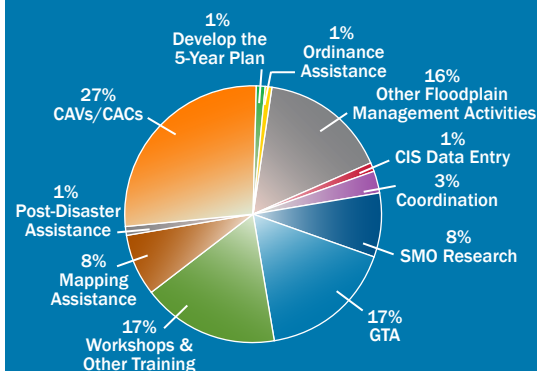
### SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS, STRENGTHS, OR SUCCESS STORIES OF THE FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Major accomplishments of the past 10 years include:

1. Formation of the Arkansas Floodplain Management Association (AFMA);
  - a. Executive Office housed with the NFIP State Coordinator
  - b. Distribution of an improved newsletter
  - c. Affiliation with the Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM)
  - d. Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM®) Program affiliated with ASFPM
  - e. Annual conference, spring training, and local workshops

According to the FY 2005-2009

Work Plan, Arkansas will perform the following activities in FY 2005\*\*:



### GAP ANALYSIS

\*\*\*How many Full Time Equivalents (FTEs) are employed for floodplain management in the State agency: **3**

How many additional FTEs are needed to perform floodplain management activities: **0**

What percent/number of floodprone communities participate in the NFIP: **83%/370**

What percent/number of NFIP communities participate in the Community Rating System: **4%/16**

\*\*\*Referenced from the Association of State Floodplain Managers' Floodplain Management 2003, State and Local Programs



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2. Annual week-long NFIP course at the University of Central Arkansas;
3. State legislation requiring identification and annual training of a local floodplain administrator;
4. Regular presentations to such organizations as the Arkansas Municipal League, Association of Arkansas Counties, Arkansas Department of Emergency Management, and Arkansas Manufactured Home Association.

### OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, WHERE DOES ARKANSAS FORESEE A SHORTAGE OF RESOURCES?

Without additional funding from the Community Assistance Program grant, all CAP-SSSE activities will probably be scaled back by approximately 10 percent. If more attention is required for certain tasks, adjustments will be made. The addition of Act 754 of 2003, requiring annual training of floodplain administrators, has created a significant increase in workload. This workload will include the form of workshops, records maintenance, community visits, and general technical assistance. Many Arkansas communities have not

been visited within the past 15 years. The number and frequency of community visits should be increased in order to evaluate local floodplain management programs. A five-year rotation has been set up to address this need.

### SIGNIFICANT COOPERATIVE EFFORTS WITH FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL PARTNERS IN SUPPORT OF FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

Coordination with other State programs such as the Flood Mitigation Assistance Program, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program, the State Dam Safety Program, State Land Information Board, and other State land use and water resources programs, including periodic meetings among State agencies. Federal coordination will include the Natural Resources Conservation Commission, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the U.S. Geological Survey.

The State Coordinating Agency will work with the AFMA to conduct conferences and other training, publish a quarterly newsletter, CFMs, and serve as the executive office.

### FEDERALLY DECLARED DISASTERS/EMERGENCIES BY CALENDAR YEAR

ARKANSAS	2004	2005
Federally Declared Disasters	Severe Storms and Flooding – June 30 Severe Storms, Flooding, and Landslides – May 7	N/A
Federally Declared Emergency Declarations	N/A	N/A

### FLOOD INSURANCE AND LOSS SUMMARY FROM 1978 TO MARCH 31, 2005

	TOTAL CURRENT POLICIES	TOTAL PREMIUM (\$)**	NUMBER OF CLAIMS***	TOTAL PAID DOLLARS (\$)****
NATIONAL RANKINGS*	15,135	\$6,724,362	4,259	\$34,466,688
	33rd	36th	33rd	35th

\* National ranking based on NFIP NextGen data; ranked from highest to lowest.  
\*\* The total amount of premiums for policies in-force.

\*\*\* The total number of claims reported.  
\*\*\*\* The total amount paid on claims.

### ADDITIONAL CONTACTS

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